The store where your "promise to pay" buys as much and for as little as cash does.

HECHT & COMPANY, 515 Seventh St.

Come on,

Gentlemen==

-you've got the free and full choice this morning of that lot of suits and overcoats from Nathan, Son & Co.

> \$15 Suits for \$7.98. \$26 Overcoats, \$11.98.

They're garments like the "exclusive" turn out for you-with equal workmanship, fit and finish. And you may have them on credit, too, and that makes the buying easy.

Muslin Underwear for about half. Wraps, Skirts and Suits for about halftwo special sales.



WAS SHE TOLD TO KILL BABY

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Mrs. Carroll, however, did not come of Thursday, nor did her nushand, who had been arrested, a fact with which Mrs. Carroll did not acquaint her visitor of Wednesday. Mrs. Chapman, however, took the precaution to go around to the home of Mrs. Carroll's parents, told them of the case, and noted the condition in which they lived. Mrs. Chapman understood from them that no suffering or distress could 355 Carroll until her case had

On Saturday Mrs. Carroll, instead of calling on Mrs. Chapman at the Ninth st office, went to see Mrs. Saffeld, at 423 Becond street northeast. Mrs. Saffold advised her to go to the Associated Charities but Mrs Carroll was firmly convinced, at least she says so, that mey wanted her to murder her baby. Mrs saffold went to the Associated Charities in her behalf, and Mrs. Carroll went to police beadquarters, where Commissioner Ross gave her \$1. She also got some tegetables and other things from the stores at the Associated

Will Investigate the Case. Last night Mrs. Carroll had a warm

room. She has had one, in fact, since last Wednesday night. She said, however. that her provisions were out.

The Times reported this to Mr. Wilson meent of the charities, last night, and he said that he would look into the whole case

Mrs. Chapman was called on yesterday at her home, 1237 Eighth street, and was told, in fact shown a written report of what she was alleged to have said in Mrs. Carroll's room. Mrs. Chapman said that there wasn't a word of truth in it. she had never said anything about murdering children; that it was abound and ridiculous. She dight care whether the abourd tale was published or bot, providing that be atsolute denial went with it. All of the other statements as to Mrs. Chapman's call her interest in the case, her sympathy, her desire that Mrs. Carroll or her has band should come to see her an the following maraing, agree as told by all the

Mrs. Carndl's mother lives as above described, at 702 T street northwest. She was seen last night and also a sister of Mrs. Martin said that ber daughter had married against her will. but that that would not prevent her tak ing a mather's interest in a daughter. She said that under no circumstances, when known to her, could Mrs. Carroll be in such want as to make her an object of public charity. She would not how ever, undertake to support her for life, as her own lot was very hard and living was difficult.

The Mother's Statement.

Mrs. Martin said that she had seen her daughter on Thanksgiving Day. Miss Martin said that the other children went to see Mrs. Carroll often. Both of them said that they would go and see Mrs. Carroll today. One of the doughters of Mrs. Martin is an employe of the Bareau of Engraving and Printing.

in a case like that of Mrs. Carroll, Agent Wilson said last night that at present the organization has on hand about \$600 as emergency fund. When Mrs. Chapman was sent out on this case she had authority to give an order on the nearest grocer for anything, which, in her judgment, was peeded and this was always ssumed to be done if the agent thought It a meritorious case.

Mr. Wilson said that Mrs. Chapman has been known for years in charitable work In this city, as a member of the W. R. C., and in the other fields of labor. These agents, such as Mrr. Chapman, get only \$25 a month, which is all that can be paid at this time. The Associated Charities believed that its agents are trustworthy. He would not express any opinion as to allegations made about Mrs. Chapman until, if any inquiry was necessary, it had

Mrs. Chapman, while considering the case of Mrs. Carroll seriously, was very much amused at the account of which was stated to have taken place at No. 2042 Seventh street.

Mrs Carroll has two rooms, the one into which visitors come first being the kitchen. She said last night that she would be obliged to give up one of them. Mrs Mrs. Lewis said that the owner of the flat is earted lady, who has been very good to Mrs. Carroll.

Thrown From His Wheel.

The wheel of Frank E. Middleton caugh in the cable slot of the Capital Traction company while he was riding between to track on Thirty-second street yester-He was thrown, and when picked up a in a dazed condition. The patrol agon of the Seventh precinct was sumresided and Middleton was taken to the 1 mergency Hospital, where it was found that his right knee was severely injured.

Barren of Interest.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 3.-The daily ses was of the Bering Sea claims commission curing the past week have been uniformly barren of general interest. The estimated value of the vessels seized received much attention and considerable technical evidence as to the cost of their equipment was heard. A few witnesses testified as to the catches they had made in various years and in different waters.

WORKING ON HIS ADDRESS

President-Elect Writing His Inaugural Speech Today.

HANNA WANTS THE SENATE

Cabinet Portfolio to Be Enished by the First of March-Senator Cullom Does Not Think Illinois Will Be Represented, But Iowa

Cleveland, O., Jan. 3.-Major McKinley expects to set to work on his inaugura ddress tomorrow morning and to finish it by the end of the week, if the office seekers give him an opportunity.

He feels that the time between the present and inauguration is very short, and said this evening there would be so much to do that the few weeks remaining to him would slip by very swiftly. Major McKinley wants to get the prin

cipal portfolios of his Cabinet assigned in a fortught or three weeks, but the Cabinet as a whole will not be completed During Major McKinley's present visit to

Cleveland it is probable that Mr. Hanna will come to some decision about his relation to the next administration, though his movements will to a considerable de gree be regulated by Senator Sherman's final determination in respect to the Cabinet

The impression grows that Senator Sher an's friends in many parts of the country are urging him to accept the portfolio of State if it is offered him, and it is also rue that some of them are suggesting Major McKinley that Senator Sherm could make an excellent Secretary of State and one whose manifest fitness for the position would strongly impress the

Hanna as Senator.

Mr. Hauna apparently wants to go to the Senate, but if Senator Sperman not go into the cabinet the way is firmly

Senator S. M. Cuitom, of Ulinois, was Major McKinley this morning. He said Mr. Sherman, while, perhaps, not quite willing to go into the cubinet, seemed to regard the proposition with less disfavor than formerly Senator Cullom said he had no desire

at this time to leave the Senate, and that he was not to be considered a cabinet -ifelity. It is his belief that Illinois my not be represented in the cabinet at

ile discussed the Sensterial contest and expressed the opinion that in the event of a prolonged and bitter contest the price ight fall to the lot of Gov. Tanner himself. Senator Culion said the impression existed among his colleagues in the United States Senate that Mr. Allison would not inclined to give up his present career o accept a cabinet portfolio, but remarked hoped the Iowa Senator could be prevailed upon to become Secretary of

New Quantity Proposed.

If neither Mr. Allison nor Mr. Dingley hould be in Major McKinley's cabinet, a new quantity for Secretary of the Treas-ury would have to be found and that the ances are that the President-elect will rest the country to something of a sur-

A good deal of speculation about the New England receiber of the Cabinet has been eard in the last day or two, both berg nd in Cauton. If Mr. Dingley remains at the head of the Committee on Ways and Means, another man from this section of the country will be invited to accept a

Cabinet position.

The names of Senators Proctor of Verment and Ledge of Massachusetts are dis-cussed not a little, and the selection of ither of them by Major McKinley she ecasion no surprise, for though Mr. Lodge supported Speaker Reed in the contest for the nomination it is known that ne President-elect nurbors no ill-feeling

If a Secretary of State is not cho n from ew York it may be set down as certain hat Cornelius N. Bliss may be set down for a place in the Cabinet. There has been to change in the situation so far as Mr. Bliss is concerned, nor is there likely to se, save in the contingent just mentioned.

STEEL WORKS TIED UP.

Johnson Company Will Light the Fires Others to Open.

Johnstowa, Pa., Jan 3.-The Johnson company steel motor works, which have een idle for several weeks, will resume in full pext week. This means that seeeral hundred idle men will be put to

The Cambria Iron Company's open hearth all will resume operations tomorrow morning, and the steel works, blooming ill and the billet nall will start up Tuesday. This will be good news to a large number of the men who have been out of work off and on during the last seven or eight

received orders for making 10,000 tons of finished rails for the Pennsylvania. Railroad Company, which will keep several mills busy during the next month or

MARKET SUIT NOT WITHDRAWN. Gen. Birney Says the Company Has Surrendered Nothing.

Gen. William Birney, attorney for the Center Market Company, emphatically de-nied yesterday that the company had withdrawn its suit against the Co mers to prevent them in their attempt it control of B street, south of the market. "There has been a misunderstanding omewhere," said he. "The market comany has, in no manner, given up the rights for which it contended. It is true that I asked for the withdrawal of the restraining order, but it was only to preven a time-consuming argument that would require the attention of the court for three days, and then probably have to be

"The time set for argument was last Saturday. There is at present a bill before the Bouse District Committee that has been reported from the Senate and which looks to the granting to the company the right of renting space as formerly. The omnittee will act upon the bill one week from tomorrow.

"The Commissioners gave me their written pledge that they would not press their daim until the committee had acted, and on that promise I withdrew the applicaion for a restraining order merely to save the time of the court. But the suit for a permanent injunction still stands and we do not intend to give up our contentions by any means."

CET Just as soon as your thoughts go toward Watch Euying—see Spier about it—a good round saving—and a reliable timekeeper, THAT WATCH FROM SPIER, 310 9th.

GENERAL SWAIN'S SUIT.

Claim for His Full Pay Has Reached the Supreme Court. The claim of Brigadier General D. G.

Swain, retired, formerly judge advocate general of the Army, for the amount of his pay withheld under the execution of the finding of a court-martial, will con before the Supreme Court of the United States this week for argument, he having appealed from the decree of the court of laims, which rejected his suit.

Gen. Swain was tried by court-martial on charges preferred by Major R. N. Scott, acting under orders from the Secretary of War, and found guilty of conduct unbeoning a gentleman and an officer, and sentenced to be suspended from rank and duty for twelve years, and to forfeit half his pay for each month of that period. He sued to recover the sums so with-held on the ground that the court-martial which tried him was illegally constituted that the charges against him

proved constituted no offense-Gen. Swain has filed a lengthy brief in support of his appeal, but the government law officers have not yet advised the court of their intentions in the matter.

properly preferred, and that the facts

WALKING MATCH ENDED.

Hart Wins the Big Six-Day Match

at St. Louis. St. Louis, Jan. 3.—The six-day walkin match in progress here during the pasweek came to a close at midnight tonight. The contestants walked twelve hours each day, from noon till midnight. Hart of Chicago was the winner. The match did not occasion much interest and was not success financially. There were only thirteen starters and six finished the

The final score was as follows: Hart, 303 miles, 7 laps. Hongiand, 303 miles. ens, 292 miles Oddy, 278 miles. Smith, 202 miles, 1 lar. Kennedy, 121 miles, 11 laps

SITUATION IS UNCHANGED

Fight for Senator From Pennsylvania Still at White Heat.

Detective McSweeney Has a Warrant for Arrest of Dr. Mackey. Other Warrants.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 3 - There has been to change in the Senatorial situation since last night. Claims and counterclaims have been made by the respective sides, but there have been no actual gain by either side so far as the outside public knows. Several doubtful members have come Potsmaster General Wanamaker, but their tions were pretty well understood be fore they announced themselves, and the effect has not been pronounced for either stite.

There was considerable talk last night in connection with arrests on bribery charges, but if any were contemplated they were abandoned for the present.

It is stated tonight that Detective Mc-Sweeney, of Scranton, has a warrant for the arrest of Dr. Mackey, one of the Lackof accepting a bribe. It is also understood that a warrant is

in the hands of detectives for the arrest of a Wilkesbarre saloonkeeper, who is charged with having bribed delegates to various legislative conventions of Luzerne county. It is stated that a warrant will be served on Dr. Mackey in the morning. Detective McSweeney is till at the Localet, and there are detectives at

The Penrose men claimed yesterday that the voters of Philadelphia are over-whelmingly in favor of their candidate. The Wanamaker leaders replied today to this assertion by offering to put the question to a test at the Republican primaries in Philadelphia on January 12 by allowing the voters of that city to cast a vote their choice of Senator.

If the vote is favorable to Penrose then Wansmaker people agree have the entire legislative delegation from Philadelphia, but if favorable to Wanamaker the delegation is to vote for the latter. The Wanamaker people further offer bear all the expenses of the vote in Philadelphia-

WORK OF HUMAN FIEND.

Horrible Attempt to Poison an Entire Family.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 3 .- There has come to light in Rendham, this county, a flendish attempt to poison an entire family, and two are dead as a result of the horrible

Two weeks ago Almira Badsell, aged fifteen, died at the house of her stepfather, Joseph Rotch, of arsenical poisoning, and it was thought that she had killed herself because her parents had refused to permit her to marry a young man not much older than herself.

The coroner was not satisfied, however, and feared foul play, but could secure no proof. Today two boys named Beagle and Besides other work, the company has Davis, aged nine and seven years, respectively, visited the Rotch house, and after they had returned home were attacked with convulsions and vomiting.

The attending physicians say they were unmistakable cases of arsenical poisoning. Rotch is watchman over a timber tract in a rough and lawless community and has discharged his duties very sternly, making many enemies, to one or more of whom it is thought that the poisoning will

BIG WAGE CUT.

Employes of Illinois Steel Company Have Salaries Reduced.

Chicago, Jan. 3 .- The employes of the linois Steel Company were notified yesterday that their wages would be cut February 1.

The notice was brought to the 3,500 men at the South Chicago mills early in the day. They were told that the amount of reduction had not been decided, but it is generally believed that it will be about 20 per cent. President Gates said last night that every official and employe would be cut.

The salary of every head of a department which is now more than \$100 per month will be reduced from 15 to 50 per cent. "This is simply the result of poor busiess," said President Gates. "During the past year the price of steel rails has been reduced \$3 a ton, and this of itself means a loss of over \$1,000,000 to the Illinois

Steel Company." Crazed With Liquor,

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 3.-Frank Brockman, a local politician, shot Marguerite Hollis in the jaw, inflicting a painful wound yesterday. Then he placed the muzzle of his revolver in his mouth and blew out his brains. Brockman was crazed from liquor.

Secretary Carlisle in New York. New York, Jan. 3 .- John G. Carlisle, cretary of the Treasury, accompanied by his son, W. K. Carlisle, arrived in the ight from Washington, and went to the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

IS WEEK IN CONGRESS EXTRAORDINARY PHENOMENON Peculiar Appearance of the Sky

Foreign Affairs Will Take Up Loud Bill Will Receive Attention the Senate's Time.

FATE OF CUBAN RESOLUTION

Opposition Claim There Is No Pos sible Chance of Its Passage-Homestead Bill in Danger of Defeat-Army Bill Will Probably Be Reported on Wednesday.

When the Senate meets Tuesday morning after the holiday recess it is quite likely that the debate on matters pertaining to our foreign relations and the position ssumed by Secretary Olney, for the Exscutive, will at once begin to take shape Whether Mr. Catperon will call up the Cuban resolution on the opening day of the session is not known, for that Senator has not returned to the city and the subject is entirely in his hands. It is hardly thought that he will seek to force the issue on the opening day owing to the fact that there is not likely to be a quorum of the

Senate present. During the morning hour, however, un der any guise that may be put forward, the debate on the subject can be commenced, but it must give way to the unfinished business at 2 o'clock unless there are sufficient votes to displace the Oklahoma free homestead bill with the nore pressing question of Cuba.

Opposition to Homestead Bill. The homestead bill, which is championed by Mr. Pettigrew, is not to have smooth sailing. A strong minority report by Mr Platt is to be presented, and that Senator

will lead the opposition to the measure on the floor of the Senate.

Mr. Hale, who is looked upon as the ader of the anti-Cuban recognition sentiment in the Senate, said yesterday that several Senators who had been heretofore silent on the subject had come out again t he Cameron resolution, and there was ow no possible chance for its passage.

On the other hand, Messrs. Cameron, Lodge, Chandler, Morgan and Mills assert that the sentiment favoring action by con gress is becoming more vigorous and that the fighting will be forced from the start.

Two Speeches Booked.

Mr. Haie, who, in the absence of Mr. Allison, to acting chairman of the Comon Appropriations, expects to have the Army bill reported to the Senate Wednesday, and this will be put forward to antagonize the Cuban proposition.

Two speeches are booked for the coming week, one by Mr. Peffer, probably Wednes day, on his resolution for the appointment of a national monetary conference; and mother by Mr. Proctor, on the joint resolutions providing for the election of President and Vice President and Senators by popu-

1,300 REBELS KILLED.

Decisive Spanish Victory in the Philippine Islands.

Madrid, Jan. 3. -Queen Regent Christine and the government have sent messages to Gen. Policyaja, captain general of the lippine Islands, congratulating him upon his great victory over the insurgents on the heights of Cacaron, province of Bulacan

in the first engagement the loss of the bels was 600 killed-The troops captured a large quantity of

unitions of war and a factory in which the rebels had been making cartridges. While the Spanisrds were pursuing the fleeing rebels it was suspected that the pursuing the method of warfare followed by the Cuban insurgents, would attempt to lend the troops into an ambus-cade in the dense thickets through which

the pursuit led. The troops were therefore ordered to set fire to the bushes in many places in order to drive out any rebels who might be lurking in them. The flames spread with rapidity and that the suspicion of an ambuscade was well founded.

A large number of the insurgents were in hiding in the bushes, evidently waiting for the troops to pass, when they would have attacked them in the rear. Many of the rebels succeeded in making their escape for the time being, but 200 of

them perished in the fire. In the meantime other Smaish columns had been hurriedly disputched to outflank the fleeing insurgents, and in this they were successful. The rebels were utterly routed, losing 500 killed. The total insurgent loss was 1,260, 260 in excess of the number given in yesterday's dispatches. These 200 were without doubt those wa were burned to death.

The Spanish loss was one officer and twenty-six privates killed. The victory, which, it is believed, will prove a crushing blow to the insurrection, is hatled every where with delight and Gen. Polavicia's prompt bringing about of results favorable to the Spanish arms is compared with ex-General Blanco's dilatory tick, much to the disparagement of the

Gen. Polavieja has confirmed the sentence of death imposed by a court-martial on eleven rebel chiefs, including three They will be shot tomorrow at Manila.

A coort-martial sitting at Manila has ommenced the trial of eighteen alleged rebels. The evidence thus far adduced shows

that the accused were in correspondence with patrons in Japan, who were inter ested in fomenting and aiding the insurrection. The prosecutor asks that sentence of death be passed on the whole

righteen prisoners.

The trial of eighty other men accused of complicity in the revolt is impending and sentence of death will be asked in the case of each of them. The dispatches from Manila state that

great sensation has been caused there by the revelations that have been made by conspirators now under arrest. One of the prisoners has stated that he knew that Japan intended to send a squadron of warships to the Philippin

Islands, and that she would recognize the

belligerency of the rebels if all the provmanner by the speaker. nces revolted. This confirms the belief that has been The sermon was based on Paul's Epistle ntertained ever since the outbreak of the insurrection that Japan, who is very anxious to secure possession of the islands, is responsible for much, if not all, of the

the past.

DELAYED BY A GALE,

Lucania Detained in Queenstown Carthaginian Aground.

Queenstown, Jan. 3.-The Cunard Line steamer Lucania, Captain McKay, from Liverpool yesterday, was detained off this port today by a gale and instead of sailing at about 8 o'clock for New York as she usually does, she did not take her departure until 12:30 \vec{p} m.

London, Jan. 3 -The Allan Line steamer Carthaginian, Captain French, from Philadelphia, which ran aground in the Clyde, was compelled to discharge part of her cargo in order to get affoat. She sustained iderable damage. She will discharge the cargo yet on board of her and will then go in dock for repairs.

in the House.

STRONG OPPOSITION TO IT

Chances for Its Passage Considered Rather Doubtful-Pacific Railroad Refunding Bill Will Occupy the Remainder of the Time. Warm Debate Is Promised.

Just before the holiday recess the Hous of Representatives, spon the recommenda-t on of the Committee on Rules, arranged the business of the House for the first

week of the new year. On Tuesday and Wednesday the Loudbill to amend the postal lawas so as to pro-hibitthe transmission in the mails of seria ovel publications and sample copies of newspapers at the second-class rate will b the special order. Discussion under the general rule will continue from immediately after the reading of the journal on Tuesday, the 5th instant, until 2 p. m. on Wednes day, and under the five-minute rule upon proposed amendment until 4 o'clock, when voting will begin upon pending amend ents and the final passage of the bill.

When the bill was called up rather un expectedly several weeks are it developed surprising strength, but since then the op rosition has been active and the chances f its passage are now considered rather doubtful.

The Refunding Bill.

After this bill has been disposed of the rest of the week-Thursday, Friday and Saturday—will be devoted to the considera tion of the Pacific railroad funding bill, reported by Judge Powers, chairman of he Committee on Racific Railroads. Two days will be given to general discussion and one day to debate and action in Committee of the Whole upon proposed amend-ments. The bill will be reported to the House at 5 o'clock, Saturday, and the rote on its passage taken on Monday, the 11th instant, immediately after the read

ing of the journal. The debate on this measure will doubt ess be interesting, owing to the opposition which exists among members of the House o the action of the majority of the com The bill proposes to extend the rovernment lieu over all the physical prop rties of the companies, which it is claimed, the present lien does not cover, and substituting for all outstanding obligations, a new 4 per cent mortgage, the govern ment debt to be carried at 2 per cent per annum.

Warm Debate Promised.

In addition to this, the Southern Pacific Company is required to pay the amount charged against the Central Pacific Com pany so long as it remains lessee thereof. The amount of the Union Pacific mortgage will be \$54,731,000, and of the Central

Pacific, net, \$52,801,000.

Messrs, Hubbard of Missouri, and Bell of Texas, have made minority reports, opposing the recommendation of the comattee, the former recommending the mon, and introduced by Senators Brice and Morgan, to enforce the government liens upon the property by proceedings in the art of appeals of the District of Columbia, and the latter, that the debts of the com panies be extended at 3 per cent, instead of 2, and secured by a first mortgage upon all their properties. They will probably lead the debate against the committee's

bills. By the terms of the orders making the measures the special business, consider ation of any other matters is shut out, and it will take unanimous consent to act on anything else until the orders have been exhausted. The only exception is that on Friday night private pens will be discussed for two hours and a half, as usual, without a quorum.

PROVED HIS INNOCENCE.

Wholesale Conspiracy in Guerrero,

Mexico, Unearthed. San Diego, Cal., Jan. 3. -Carlos A. Miller, the wealthy American recently arrested and thrown into a Mexican dungeon on a murder charge, has been released on his own recognizance on orders from the gen eral government.

Mr. Miller was charged by the authorities

of Ometepec, State of Guerrero, with the murder of Lieut. Eduardo Zepeda, on Oc The accused has given the most positive proof of his innocence and has succeeded in turning the tables upon his accusers to such an extent that a rigid investigation is now going on under the military authorities, uncarthing what promises to be a wholesale conspiracy in the State of Guerrero to have Miller done away with

frauds against the government in revenue

and his property divided, besides gigantic

RAN INTO A LANDSLIDE. Missouri Pacific Freight Train's Serious Mishap.

Holden, Mo., Jan. 3 .- Early this morn ing a freight train on the Missouri Pacific Railway ran into a landslide near this Three of the crew were killed. place.

The dead are: GOMOR EVANS, engineer, married. HARRY HUKOP, fireman, married. J. E. M'QUEEN, brakeman, unmarried, Two other members of the crew were slightly injured. The recent heavy rains caused a huge mass of earth to slide down upon the track, and the train crashed into the obstruction while running at a

LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE.

rate of twelve miles an hour.

Presiding Elder Wilson Preaches on This Subject.

Rev. Luther B. Wilson, presiding elder of the Baltimore M. E. Conference, preached to a large congregation last evening at the Metropolitan M. E. Church. The subject of the discourse, "Look Forward," was most appropriate and was developed in an interesting and instructive

to the Philippians, ili:13: "I count not myself to be appointed, but this that I do Jorgetting those things which are be hind reaching forth to those things which I press toward to make for the prize of high calling in Jesus Christ It is a season of good resolve, Dr. Wiln said, and it is well to look to the future and work in the future, instead of

It is wise that we take heed of the words of Paul and press toward the prize of the high calling in Christ. The pleasures of today, of this life, are ephemeral and not to be weighed in

wearing out our lives over the mistakes of

the balance with the joys of a life everlasting. So it behooves us, said the speaker, always to be looking forward, always reaching out for the promised prize. the glories of life eternal in Christ. Bobs-Happy--.

Jenks-Same Philadelphia North American.

Followed by a Fierce Gale. New Orleans, La., Jan. 3 .- An extraorlinary celestial phenomenon was visible here about 7 o'clock this morning. Thick, leavy clouds were rolling, and it was as

dark as it is an hour and a half earlier. Suddenly the sky was overcast with a shrimp pinkness, and the rays reflected gave the earth the appearance of being on fire. The remarkable display lasted perhaps ten minutes, but it was startling during its brief existence.

The weather bureau explains that it was he sun's rays reflected through a certain cloud. It was followed by a fierce gale

Persons residing at West End declare that in eleven years they have not witnessed such a storm. The people there were much frightened.

The waters of Like Ponchartrain were driven in and overflowed Spanish Fort and all the roads leading from the city to the take, in some places reaching a depth of

Nothing has been heard from Mandeville nd places on the other side of the lake.

MESSAGE FROM THE CZAR,

Sultan of Turkey Recomm Take Advice.

London, Jan, 3 .- The Dally Telegraph vill tomorrow publish a dispatch from Constantinople saying that the exar has sent a message to the sultan recommending him to most seriously consider the remonstrances and advice of the great powers regarding the reforms necessary for the npire, and adding that if he does not do so he will expose himself to the gravest con-

equences, even foreign intervention.

The czar further says that the sultan's ecceptance of this advice is an indispensable ondition to the integrity of his empire and the maintenance of peace.

LAID BESIDE HIS COMRADES

Late Rear Admiral Skerrett Buried n aaaaaaaaeeeeaaaaaaaaaaaa at Arlington.

Services Were Simple, But Impressive-Large Number of Naval Officers in Attendance.

Funeral services over the remains of the ate Rear Admiral Joseph Skerrett, retired, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, No. 1912 H street northwest. The funeral was a very simple one, after the rites of the Episcopal church. Rev. Alfred Hardng, of St. Paul's, conducted the ceremony. At the house the services were public and a large number of friends and relatives gathered there. The casket was partially covered with a United States lag, and the sword and chapeau of the

ceased. There were many magnificent floral ributes sent by loving friends. The hand-omest was a beautiful wreath of roses, chids and ivy, placed upon the coffin he Loyal Legion, of which Admiral Skerett was a member. Among those present during the cere

neer Thomas Williams, Admirai Aaron Weaver, Commodore and Mrs. Hitchburn, Lieut. Wilson, Mr. George Savage, of Baltinore: Mr. Morris Stroud-French, of Philadelphia: Mr. William Stroud, of New York, and Rear Admiral Ramsey. The interment, which was private, was

mony at the house were Rear Admiral Greer, Commodore Fahrquar, Chief Engi-

at Arlington. The services there, although simple, were impressive-The casket was borne by eight sallors, letailed from the Navy Yard, and when was lowered into the grave the Episco palian burial service was read, and a ugler from the Marine Parracks sounded aps. The only ones present were the mediate friends and relatives of the deceased and representatives of the orders of which Admiral Skerrett was a member. The honorary pallbearers were Rear Admiral Roe, Rear Admiral Ramsey, Rear

Lieut. Downs L. Wilson, and Medical Inpector Flint, of the United States Navy.

BANK CASHIER ARRESTED.

Henry Durk of the Niagara National Arraigned. Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 3.-Henry Durk, cashier of the defunct First National Bank of Niagara Falls, was arrested late resterday afternoon, brought to this city and arraigned last night before Commis

sioner Norton on charge of being implicated n the failure of the bank. The warrant for the arrest was sworn ot by Book Examiner Van Brocklin, who was placed in charge of the back until a receiver was appointed. Durk pleaded not guilty and was released on bail, pend-

ing a hearing on January 15. The warrant charges Durk with certifying to checks of the Cataract Milling Company, when the company had no funds in the bank. Colonel C. B. Gaskill was president of the Cataract Milling Company, which failed shortly after the bank closed, and it is supposed that the checks in question were among the illeged overdrafts made by him, which have been the subjet of much adverse com-

ment. FATAL RUNAWAY ACCIDENT.

Two Women's Exciting Ride at

Atlantic City. Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 3.-Two women were probably fatally injured in a runaway accident on Atlantic avenue, this morning. Mrs. J. Myerhoff and her daughter, Mrs. Max Freeman, went out for a morning drive and were returning home when the horse suddenly took fright and dashed up the street. When near Missouri avenue it collided with a heavy

wagon. The carriage was torn to pieces and the ladies were thrown heavily to the ground. They were picked up insensible and conveyed to the city hospital, where at a late hour Mrs. Myerhoff had not returned to consciousness. Mrs. Freeman was kicked several times by the horse while imprisoned beneath the wreck of the carriage, and her face was so badly cut and bruised as to make her almost

WOMAN'S NOVEL SUICIDE.

She Used an Old Shoe, Cotton and Chloroform.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 3 .- Mrs. Julia Farley Tuttle, aged twenty-six, committed micide last night at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Daniel Farrington, of 71 Hill street. During the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Farrington last evening Mrs. Tuttle took one of her sister's old shoes, stuffed it with cotton and soaked it with chloroform

mouth and then crawled under a bed. where she was afterward discovered dead She had made several previous attempts to commit suicide, but was unsuccessful owing to the watchfulness of her sister. the wife of Capt. Harry D. Tuttle, commander of a coasting vessel, and who is at South River, N. J.

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mow storm prevails in the western portion of Indian Territory. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 3.-The rain storm, which has prevailed over Northern Illinois mintercuptedly for three days, has been

he severest experienced in this locality for two years. Observations Taken, The observations taken at the weather bureau in this city this evening showed that the rainfall was two and one-half inches

since the beginning of the storm early New Year's morning. The temperature fell 20 degrees in Chicago within the last eight hours and at 11 o'clock tonight the rain turned to now. It is not expected by the weather oureau that the thermometer will reach the zero mark, although they predict a temperature considerably below freezing before tomorrow evening.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 3.-Lincoln is snow-

ound tonight, a light fall, which began early this morning, increasing during the day and developing into a northwester by night with the wind blowing a gale. Street car traffic on suburban roads were abandoned during the day, and at 9 o'clock nearly every line was blocked. Trains on nearly every road entering the city are badly delayed. Specials from over the State indicate that the storm is general and that cattle on the range may suffer.

Whole Town Destroyed. Benton, Ark., Jan. 3,-At 6:40 o'clock last night a cyclone struck this town, destroyed nearly every building in South

direction, wrecking every building in its In an outhouse near the depot, a tramp was killed. The destruction of property was simply awful and many families are left without homes.

Benton, and passed on in a northeasterly

The property values will reach into the thousands. Freight cars on the siling at the depot were turned over, and a wrecking crew has been at work all day clearing the tracks.